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words flutter from the Aether
and are soon imprisoned
by the scrawls of graphite shards
and a white expanse of featureless tundra
broken only by parallel streams of blue
stretching on into infinity

words flow from a caffeinated buzz and the clack of plastic keys
and appear in a void of glowing white
before disappearing as soon as they came
as their vengeful god hits the backspace key

words
words are more than words
words become raw emotion
the most accursed darkness, the most intimate bliss
the rhythmic beating of rain on a windshield
the warmth of a crackling fire

words can free us
words can imprison us
a few well-placed words make all the difference
between a tragic fall
and a transformation

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